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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR PRE-PROCESSING AND PACKAGING CLASS FILES

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Transmi	tted herewith is a Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application.
	Small entity status of this Application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a
	verified statement previously submitted.
	A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
	No additional fee is required.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	SMALL E	ENTITY	OTHER I	
	Claims Remaining After Amd		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Add'I Fee	Rate	Add'I Fee
Total Claims	* 23	Minus	** 20	3	X 11	\$0	X 22	\$66
Indep. Claims	* 4	Minus	*** 3	1	X 41	\$0	X 82	\$82
☐ First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims			+ 135	\$0	+ 270	\$		
					Total Add'l Fee	\$0	Total Add'l Fee	\$148

•	If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
**	If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
* * *	If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space The "Highest No. Previously Paid
	For (Total or Independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number
	of claims originally filed.
_XXX	The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees
	associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account
	Number 08-1520. A duplicate of this authorization is enclosed.
	Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of month, pursuant to Rule
	1.136.
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	A check in the amount of <u>\$</u> is attached for processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17.
XXX	A check in the amount of \$148.00 is attached for presentation of additional claim(s).
	Respectfully submitted,
	HECKER & HARRIMAN - /

Date: August 18, 1998

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